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PINDELL DECIDES NOT TO TAKE POST

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no anxious to see you at St. Petersburg, that I feel a keen disappointment. It is only a very imperfect consolation that I may now again express my unqualified confidence in your ability, your character, your discretion and your entire suitability for such a post.

"Cordially and sincerely yours,
"WOODROW WILSON."

Letter Declared Forgery.
The controversy over Mr. Pindell's nomination grew out of publication of what purported to be a letter from Senator Lewis, of Illinois, to Mr. Pindell, urging the latter to accept the post of ambassador to Russia for a year, and saying he would be relieved of diplomatic responsibility for important negotiations, and could travel freely in Europe.

Senator Lewis charged that the letter was a forgery, and Secretary Bryan, in a public statement, revealed that the circumstances were that Mr. Pindell had said he could only accept the post for a year, because he did not feel that he could be absent from his business for any longer period. No mention, it was said, was made of any diplomatic task or duties.

There was gossip in official circles about the likelihood of Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, being named for the ambassadorship. Mr. Crane was up and in the President's mind early last year for the post, but was understood to have declined because of his business in this country.

Child Fatally Burned.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Suffolk, Va., February 2.—Emily Little, a small, three-year-old daughter of W. W. Small, manager of the Jackson Bros. lumber plant, of Chatham, Va., fell in the fire at her home to-day during the absence of her mother for a few minutes, and was fatally burned. It is believed that the child fell into the flames while trying to reach a stick.

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STUDENTS GIVEN FULL ACQUITTAL

Not Drunken or Boisterous Following Virginia-Georgetown Football Game.

REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE

If There Was Disturbance, It Was Caused by Overenthusiastic Friends.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, D. C., February 2.—The students of the University of Virginia and Georgetown University were exonerated to-day at the hands of the subcommittee of the District of Columbia Committee of the House of Representatives, which made a thorough investigation of the published reports and charges made upon the floor of the House that the students were intoxicated and boisterous about the streets of Washington on the night of the annual football game between the two universities, November 15. The committee found, in fact, that the reports of the celebration of the annual event, which marks the climax in the football schedules of the two rival universities, were greatly exaggerated.

Testimony at the hearing before the committee tended to show that the majority of the Virginia students and football players attended a performance at the Columbia Theatre, and maintained an excellent demeanor, that the students of Georgetown were generally well behaved, and that whatever excess of disturbance there was was created by over-enthusiastic friends of both teams, mostly young men.

The report, which is a compilation as well as a compromise of the opinions of Representatives Caraway, Thompson, L'Engle, Prouty and Walters, makes no recommendation. Members of the committee differed widely in their individual opinions, at least one of them going so far as to draft a report calling for immediate action by the House.

The compiling of the report was fraught with difficulties. Members were sought by friends and foes of the Ebbitt House, temperance people endeavored to have the committee sit at police juries on individual cases of drunkenness, and one of the undercurrents sought to draw the committee into further controversy carried with it the charge that the whole Ebbitt House investigation was the result of a conspiracy on the part of other hotels.

The port states in part:

Ebbitt House Headquarters.

"The students of the University of Virginia came to Washington to attend a football game with the Georgetown University, and secured rooms and made their headquarters at the Ebbitt House, corner F and Fourteenth Streets. The reservations were made some days in advance. The proprietor and manager of the Ebbitt House anticipating that the large number of students would draw large patronage for that evening, took special precautions to care for the crowd by calling out the full force of bouncers, and engaging extra men to act as bouncers. It seems that the duty of the bouncers was to throw out of the barroom all those who had become too boisterous or intoxicated. On the evening in question a very large crowd gathered at the Ebbitt House, many of whom became somewhat intoxicated and boisterous, and the streets and sidewalks in front of said house became congested, and eight or ten police officers from other precincts of the city were called on to clear the sidewalks and maintain order.

"The evidence to show, however, to our satisfaction that any of the patrons so intoxicated were students of either the University of Virginia or Georgetown University.

"The evidence further discloses that the articles appearing in the newspapers, which constitute the basis of this inquiry, were very much exaggerated, and reflect unjustly and unfairly upon the students of these institutions.

Praise for Police Force.
"In the conduct of the police force upon this occasion we find but little to criticize. We find that the captain of the precinct anticipating the large crowd that would gather on that occasion, took special precautions to preserve order and prevent the violation of the excise law. In carrying out his purpose he assigned two plainclothes

The Weather.

Forecast: Virginia—Fair Tuesday; warmer extreme west portion; Wednesday, local rains.
North Carolina—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.
12 noon temperature..... 60
3 P. M. temperature..... 54
Maximum temperature up to 8 P. M..... 54
Minimum temperature up to 8 P. M..... 34
Mean temperature..... 44
Normal temperature..... 38
Excess in temperature since March 1..... 24
Accumulated excess in temperature since January 1..... 137
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1..... 1.38
Accumulated deficiency in rainfall since January 1..... .63

Local Observation 8 P. M. Yesterday.
Temperature..... 41
Humidity..... 74
Wind—direction..... S.E.
Wind—velocity..... 11
Weather..... Clear

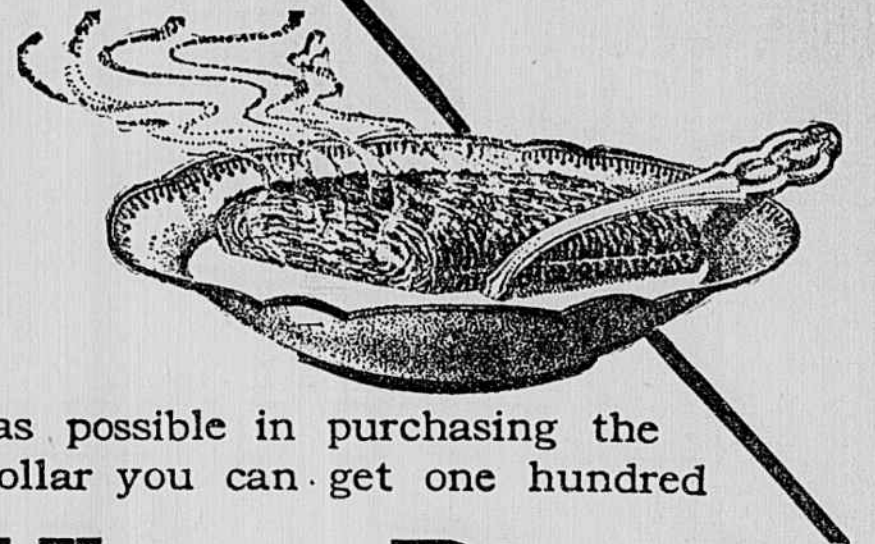
CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Ashville	44	50	Clear
Atlanta	58	38	Clear
Atlantic City	26	44	Clear
Boston	36	42	Clear
Buffalo	20	32	Clear
Charleston	54	60	P. cloudy
Chicago	40	40	Clear
Denver	38	42	Clear
Duluth	26	32	Clear
Galveston	62	66	Cloudy
Hatteras	56	56	P. cloudy
Havre	10	22	Cloudy
Jacksonville	60	70	Clear
Kansas City	50	56	Clear
Louisville	54	56	Clear
Montgomery	58	64	P. cloudy
New Orleans	48	70	Clear
New York	34	38	Clear
Norfolk	42	50	Clear
Omaha	40	42	Clear
Pittsburgh	44	46	Clear
Raleigh	52	58	P. cloudy
St. Louis	48	48	Clear
St. Paul	28	32	Clear
San Francisco	54	60	Clear
Savannah	58	64	P. cloudy
Spokane	26	30	Clear
Tampa	74	74	Cloudy
Wash., D. C.	42	50	Clear
Winnipeg	4	10	Snow
Wytheville	40	50	Clear

MINIATURE ALMANAC.
February 3, 1914.
Sun rises..... 7:14
Sun sets..... 5:54
Evening..... 10:58

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DOCTORS WRITE AGAIN TO BOARD

Assert That Records Show Dr. Johnston Did Not Operate on Crawley.

The following letter was sent yesterday to the Administrative Board:

Richmond, Va., Feb. 2, 1914.

To the Honorable Administrative Board of the City of Richmond:

Gentlemen:—As the three undersigned are referred to in the letter of Dr. Geo. Ben Johnston, which appears in the Richmond papers of this date, we ask you to consider this joint reply.

The personalities in Dr. Johnston's letter are beside the question, and should not be allowed to obscure the real issue. The public is not interested in the personal relations between any of us and Dr. Johnston. So far as his services to Dr. Horsley are concerned, of which he boasts, it may be mutual. It might also be an interesting question whether Dr. Johnston severed his professional and social relations with Dr. Horsley because of Dr. Horsley's unworthiness, or whether Dr. Horsley severed all relations because of his opinion of Dr. Johnston's unworthiness.

So far as the statements in Dr. Johnston's letter having reference to Dr. Carrington and Dr. Bryan are concerned, it suffices to say that they are without foundation. It is not our intention to deal in personalities. The issue is Dr. Johnston's conduct while on duty at the City Hospital.

The approaching selection by your honorable board of the visiting staff for the City Hospital as a city institution, and the consideration of rules and regulations for the government of that hospital, seem to us to afford ample reason for presenting to you the record of Dr. Johnston as visiting surgeon for the past two years.

Dr. Johnston calls attention to his "manly course" in regard to the unfortunate death of Jesse Crawley, and it may be worth while to briefly analyze the situation. Crawley had been struck on the head by an assailant. The fact is undisputed that there was a compound depressed fracture of the skull, which is always regarded as a serious condition. Dr. Johnston was notified of the injury. On his own admission he did not examine the wound himself, though he said in his testimony before the Police Court that it was his "duty to examine all serious cases."

The man was finally operated upon seven days after admission to the hospital (not five days, as stated by Dr. Johnston). The sending of an eye specialist, a nerve specialist, or any other specialist, to see a patient who has a compound depressed fracture of the skull, does not relieve the surgeon in charge from his obvious duty to examine the wound and determine upon some course of action. The assailant of Jesse Crawley was arrested on the charge of murder. Naturally, the lawyer defending the assailant would bring out in court proceedings the fact, which Dr. Johnston admitted, that there was "an element of uncertainty in the victim's death," and that "perhaps if we had been a little more painstaking, his life might have been saved." To appear in open court, subjected to cross-examination and confronted with the hospital records in the case, would probably have been much less desirable than the "voluntary" appearance in the Police Court, of which Dr. Johnston boasts. Prompt, active, personal attention to the injured man by Dr. Johnston might have been more effective than his voluntary appearance in court after the death of the victim.

The appointment of a surgeon to the City Hospital carried with it the solemn obligation to conform to the rules and regulations governing the staff, and as the chairman of the staff, Dr. Johnston should have been especially careful in the observance of these rules and regulations. Section 3 of the regulations, having reference to the visiting staff, is as follows: "The physician and surgeon shall visit the hospital at least once a day, and the specialist at least once a week during their terms of office, oftener if necessary."

The letter of Mr. Graham B. Hobson shows that he personally undertook to dissuade Dr. Johnston from resigning from the staff at the beginning of the year 1912, and as chairman of the Committee on Relief of the Poor, assumed the authority of granting Dr. Johnston a leave of absence from January, February and March of that year, "with the understanding that you might supply a competent person or

persons to discharge the duties during your service," and that owing to the chairman's absence from the city the matter was not brought to the attention of the committee until the middle of February. On this connection, attention is called to section 7 of the same regulations, which is as follows: "In the event of the absence of any member of the staff during his term of service, he shall arrange with some other member of the staff to act for him."

If Dr. Johnston was not familiar with that regulation, he ought to have been. The sending of his assistants and associates, not on the staff, was not a compliance with that rule. So much for 1912. Dr. Johnston's letter shows that he disregarded the two rules referred to repeatedly during his term of service in 1913.

Dr. Johnston states that the charge that he did not perform the operation on Crawley is false. The statement was based upon the record, of which we attach to this letter a photographic copy, which gives the name of the operator as Dr. Willis and not Dr. Johnston.

The line in the operation book reads as follows: Date—January 18, 1913. No. 82. Name, Jesse Crawley; operator, Dr. Willis; diagnosis, abscess of brain, following depressed fracture. Operation, opened abscess and drainage. Anesthetic, ether. Anesthetizer, Dr. Bullock. Results, death.

We believe that this communication and the original letter give the board the information it should have before it in making its selection of the visiting staff, and in formulating the regulations governing the City Hospital.

Very respectfully,
ROBERT C. BRYAN,
CHARLES V. CARRINGTON,
J. SHELTON HORSLEY.

Dr. Johnston to Reply.

Dr. George Ben Johnston could not be reached last night for a reply to the letter printed above, as he was at the Executive Mansion at Governor Stuart's reception. Whatever answer he desires to make will be printed in The Times-Dispatch tomorrow after which the discussion of the matter in

this paper will cease. Dr. A. Murat Willis stated last night that Dr. Johnston would be able to prove by persons present that he performed the Crawley operation, assisted by Dr. Willis, and that the record was written after the operation by Miss Young, who was not present. She made up her records, she said, after asking some one, whom she does not remember, for the name of the operator.

FORMAL CHARGES AGAINST CAPTAIN

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the Philadelphia district, and a further appeal may be taken to the supervising Inspector-General.

"The local board of inspectors at Philadelphia has been asked to conduct this investigation, because neither vessel sails from that port, and because the local board at Norfolk will appear as bringing the charges through the testimony taken by it as above described."

No Bodies Found.

Norfolk, Va., February 2.—Divers from the Norfolk wrecking steamer L. J. Merritt went down in a choppy sea to-day to search for bodies of those who perished when the Old Dominion liner Monroe sunk off this coast early Friday morning after a collision with the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation company's steamer Nantuxet. Though diligent search was made, no bodies had been found at a late hour.

The weather at sea was clear, but a stiff breeze made the sea choppy, and the work of the divers was difficult. The exact location of the wreck of the Monroe is twenty-four miles southwest one-quarter south of Winter Quarter lightship. A portion of the mast is projecting above water.

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